IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HANKE et al.

Appl. No.

09/722,441

Filed: November 28, 2000

For:

Polynucleotides Encoding a

Feedback Resistant Aspartokinase from Corynebacterium (as amended) Confirmation No. 4696

Art Unit:

Kerr, K.M.

Atty. Docket: 1533.1030002/MAC/PAC

Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 Request To Delete Inventors In A Nonprovisional Patent Application **Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)**

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Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herein is an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. As payment of the issue fee has not yet been made or is filed herewith, Applicants respectfully submit that filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 is proper. (M.P.E.P. § 714.16.)

Applicants request that the United States Patent and Trademark Office correct inventorship in the above-captioned nonprovisional patent application. Prosecution of the application has resulted in the amendment or cancellation of claims so that fewer than all of the currently named inventors are the actual inventors of the invention being claimed in the application.

Specifically, Applicants request that the United States Patent and Trademark Office delete Corey M. Crafton and P. John Rayapati from the inventive entity as their contribution is no longer claimed in the application. Accordingly, upon entry of this request,

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the inventive entity would be changed from Paul D. Hanke, Lhing-Yew Li, Holly J. Walsh, Corey M. Crafton, and P. John Rayapati to Paul D. Hanke, Lhing-Yew Li-D'Elia, and Holly J. Walsh.

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The amendment does not add new matter. The amendment corrects a formal matter without changing the scope of the claims. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that this Amendment be entered.

This request is accompanied by the processing fee as set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i). Applicants hereby authorize the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Fee Transmittal Form:
- 2. United States Patent & Trademark Office Credit Card Payment Form;
- 3. Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 Request to Delete Inventors In A Nonprovisional Patent Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b); and
- 4. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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